



Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy

August 26, 1936 - April 8, 2019

Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy died from complications of Alzheimer's disease on April 8, 2019. She was born August 26, 1936, the eldest child to the late Webb and Mary Greene Sweet.

Mrs. Gandy is survived by her husband of 66 years, O. J. Gandy, Jr., son Jay Gandy and wife Lisa, and daughter, Ree Gandy Routon, all of Little Rock, five grandchildren; Stephen Routon (Julie), David Routon (Kristen), Elizabeth Gandy Frazier (Ryan), Kathryn Gandy and Gregory Gandy, and four great-grandchildren; Jackson Routon, Reed Routon, Will Routon and Mary Jane Routon. In addition, she is survived by one brother, Billy Sweet of Forrest City, and a sister, Margie Walker of Birmingham, Alabama, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a brother, Walter Sweet in 2015.

Mrs. Gandy was a devoted homemaker and mother who possessed extraordinary talents with her knitting and sewing, but her passion was her love of Tennessee Walking Horses, which she rode and showed from the age of four until seventy. She was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church and a life member of the Forrest City Junior Auxillary.

Services for Mrs. Gandy will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 10:00 A.M., Friday, with burial in Forrest Park Cemetery. Visitation will be

Thursday evening, 6:00 till 8:00 P.M., at Stevens Funeral Home with Stevens Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorials are to be made to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 66, Forrest City, Arkansas, 72336, or Alzheimer's Association Arkansas Chapter, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, D. C., 20090-6011 or at Alz. You may log on to stevensfuneralhome.net for the online registry.

Cemetery Details

Forrest Park

Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home
220 North Washington
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-5400
info@stevensfuneralhome.net
<https://www.stevensfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

APR 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
620 E. Broadway
Forrest City, AR 72335

Interment

APR 12 (CT)

Forrest Park
Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Tribute Wall

RH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Ms. Martha's family. I met Ms. Martha when she was working at the EACC bookstore and found her to be a lovely lady who deeply cared for others. During our association, we had many wonderful conversations. In 2017 when my mother was a rehab patient at Crestpark,, I enjoyed stopping by to chat a spell with Ms. Martha - truly a wonderful, warm, genuine person - beautiful within and without. I will always cherish the warm memories and miss her smile.

Rae Hall - May 30, 2019 at 03:28 PM

SP

“ To Ree, Mr. OJ, Jay and all of Ms. Gandy's family, she was such a wonderful example of grace and kindness. I know you will miss her, but she has added a wonderful element to our Lord's heaven! We will be thinking of and praying for all of you in the coming days.

Sharon Perry - April 12, 2019 at 11:30 AM

ST

“ Shirley W. Thorn lit a candle in memory of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy



Shirley w. thorn - April 11, 2019 at 08:25 PM

EB

“ *Eldridge Brawner lit a candle in memory of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy*



Eldridge Brawner - April 11, 2019 at 05:38 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy.*



April 11, 2019 at 02:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy.*



April 10, 2019 at 07:27 AM

EM

“ *Erna Morphis lit a candle in memory of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy*

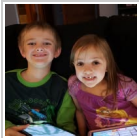


Erna Morphis - April 09, 2019 at 02:40 PM

WI

“ *May loving memories of Martha Elizabeth Sweet Gandy sustain family and friends during this time of loss and may you find comfort in Gods word.*

Wayne Helms II - April 09, 2019 at 01:17 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. I met Ms. Martha when I was 18 years old. I worked for Abel Realty. She was always smiling and happy. She had a beautiful laugh. Later after the Realty closed, I went to work for A and T. She was a frequent visitor. So sorry to hear of her passing. Prayers for you all.*
Michelle Duncan Collins

Michelle Collins - April 09, 2019 at 10:38 AM

ER

“ *I lived next door to the Sweets for several years and was privileged to ride “Arkansas Ace” on the track back of their home. I have such fond memories of the whole family and send my sympathy and prayers to all.*

Elizabeth Hambleton Radcliffe - April 09, 2019 at 10:20 AM

DS

“ *Ree,
I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was a very sweet lady, and you are like her. I will keep you in my prayers.*

Donna Snyder

Donna Snyder - April 08, 2019 at 08:01 PM

FE

I'am so sorry about Martha, she was a delightful person.

Frances Edens - April 09, 2019 at 04:08 PM

JJ

Joann Jumper

So sorry to hear of Martha's passing, I have known O.J. and Martha for many years when they started coming to my shop for alterations. Both were the sweetest two people you could ever meet. Good bye my friend, we will meet again in the sweet bye and bye.

Joann Jumper - April 15, 2019 at 11:35 AM